conted minds, mischevious; too often thro self Interest and Ambition; he was pleased to say, you say true, and I know it, then Ask'd, How the Governor pleased? Sir very well. what is your opinion of him? I reply'd, That of a Person of exceeding Honesty, Brave & resolute, & in the due execution of Administration of Governt very Adroit & just, & of Character all deserving; he ask'd How long has he been Governor, Sir almost Eight years; He then was Graciously pleased to say, you give me pleasure your character of him, & I will approve him. My regard for you & yr real merit, I could not let pass Silent on a Subject so Essential to you; That of His Majesty's most Gracious Testimony of his Approbation & acceptance of you; and I have wrote My Lord the contents.

Yr inclosed minutes of the Surveyors to the 25th of Octr last I have transmitted you Doctor Bevis answr Geometrical, & have their answer or minuets by you return'd the 30th of May; I observe little done from the Badness of Weather. You do right the giving no Obstruction to the Lines. Since my last on this Subject, I have had interview with the Messrs Penns, and we are come to a determination as follow, To send on each side a Mathematician to facilitate with Necessary Instrumts for the Accurate Execution of the Lines; they are the two famous Persons that returned last year from St Helen's Island, East, having been sent by the Lords of Admiralty to take observations on the Transit of Venus there. they at present in Country, are wrote for

The Hams by Cap^t Ayres that were to be sent a Dozen from you 10 are rec^d, the other Dozen not, & of the Dozen 4 of Madeira wine, 3 Doz. 12 is come. You'l give his Lord^p much pleasure by y^r Stock of Madeira laying to meliorate by y^r climate for him. I am very thankful for y^r remittance £123. Our Enemies Let them vaunt, their Superiours will make feel they are mistaken. I am with the greatest Esteem Y^r faithfull friend & obliged h^{ble} Serv^t

Cecil^s Calvert

Post Lord Bute out of all employ & Govermt Affairs, retired strong grumble with the Great.

[Cecilius Calvert to Horatio Sharpe]

London April 28th 1764.

Sir

By this opportunity a ship of Mess^{rs} Hanbury, I transmit you Parliamentary Acts con^g America, pass'd last Sessions. Con^g Taxation of all foreign Traffick of Effects Landed in the Colonies, & an Act for the growth of Hemp & Flax, also